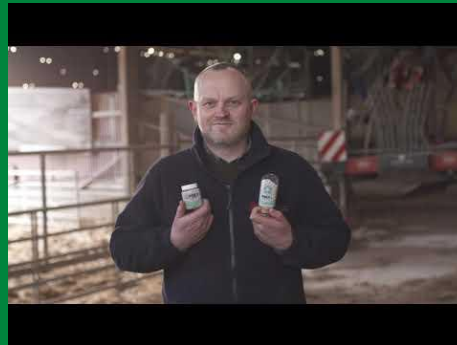


Washington FPS

FROM THE AD'S DESK
MARCH 2022



Left: video: Virginia Tech Mining and Minerals Engineering
Middle video: The Anglo American Woodsmith Project
Right video: Woodsmith to the World: The story of the Woodsmith Mine

Hello,

I hope that your Spring is progressing nicely and you have been able to avoid most of the terrible weather that has plagued much of the country.

This year's t-shirt sale is a fundraiser which will fund next year's scholarships. See page 3 for more information regarding this year's scholarships. Please consider purchasing a t-shirt so that we can support our scholarship winners with meaningful awards. Please go to the wafps.org website for more information.

The top three winners in each division of the Scenario Writing competition were all invited to submit their stories to the FPS International Competition. Results of that competition are usually released in early April.

We are just over three weeks away from the State Bowl and the deadline for registration is March 7. The Medical Release form and the Publication Release/Statement of Authenticity must be uploaded to the Coach's Dropbox no later than **March 11**. Both forms can be found on the WAFPS website under Events/State Bowl. Please note that the medical release form is two pages long. Page two explains the information regarding Covid.

This year's State Bowl competition will start at 10 a.m. at Warm Beach. Coaches will receive information regarding the competition room assignments after the registration deadline.

It is possible that a team may need to participate virtually at the last minute due to Covid. If this should happen, please contact me immediately.

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2022 SCENARIO WRITING RESULTS

Congratulations to this year's Washington State Scenario Writing winners!

Each scenario was evaluated by two independent evaluators. The Junior and Senior Divisions did not require a third round of evaluations. The Middle Division entries, however, were evaluated again using paired comparison analysis.

First, second, and third place winners in each division may be entered in the International Conference.

Junior Division

- 1st **Nidhi Karnati**, Redmond Independent
- 2nd **Siddhi Lakkarsu**, Redmond Independent
- 3rd **Gracyne Russell**, North River School

Middle Division

- 1st **Mingmei Sun**, Tyee Middle School
- 2nd **Anvika Kaul Singh**, Odle Middle School
- 3rd **Tasmia Minhaz**, Leota Middle School
- 4th **Sana David**, Odle Middle School
- 5th **Joanne Chae**, Odle Middle School

Senior Division

- 1st **Jake Donner**, Interlake High School
- 2nd **Prisha Hemani**, Interlake High School
- 3rd **Nishka Kacheria**, Interlake High School
- 4th **Aaryan Pawar**, Interlake High School
- 5th **Rohak Jain**, Interlake High School

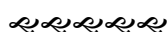
PHOTOS OF STATE BOWL PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

If you have photos of your students actively involved in the FPS process, please email these photos to Kari Beyer (kbeyer@nr.k12.wa.us). We'd like to use these photos in our Award Ceremony and in our newsletters. Photos that are labeled by team or individual number would be greatly appreciated.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION


Final Opportunity--Deadline today!

Two scholarships are available. The WAFPS Achievement Scholarship and the WAFPS Impact Scholarship. Graduating 2022 seniors, who have participated in Washington State FPS in any of the components in any year, are eligible to apply. Please use the links provided on the website to apply. Deadline is March 1, 2022, at 10 p.m. PST.



STATE BOWL REMINDERS

What can be brought into the GIPS Competition room at State Bowl?

- ✓ No notebook paper; however, blank white paper can be provided.
- ✓ A high-quality mask must be worn at all times.
- ✓ **Permitted items: Pencils, pencil sharpener, pens, highlighters, dictionary, thesaurus, pack of unopened sticky notes, calculator (non-programmable), and water.** 

Are you allowed to stand up and walk around?

- ✓ Please stay within reach of our table, so as not to disturb other competitors.

STATE BOWL T-SHIRTS 2022 FUNDRAISER

Deadline for purchasing a State Bowl T-shirt for 2022 is **March 7 at 7 p.m.** Pacific Time.

All proceeds from the State Bowl T-shirts sales for 2022 are designated Scholarship Funds for future scholarships. Please consider purchasing a [2022 State Bowl T-shirt!](#)

1. The listed price includes their name, so if they decide to NOT put a name on the back, the price will drop \$4.50. **Without name: \$22.80 (with tax); With name: \$27.76 (with tax).**
2. Check size chart, there are no returns.
3. ALL orders should have the student name, school, and **competition/registration (team or individual) number** listed in the notes section during checkout.
4. All proceeds go to the FPS scholarship fund!

VOTE FOR A FUTURE IC TOPIC

Want to have your voice heard? Vote for future 2023-2024 topics at this FPSPi [link](#). The link will remain open until March 31.

2022 STATE BOWL FEES

If your team/(or individual) qualifies for the 2022 State Bowl, your coach will receive a congratulations email with more information! Here are the fees and costs for the one-day event at Warm Beach Conference Center on March 24.

Competition will start at 10 a.m. Your coach will receive information regarding the room where each participant will compete prior to the event.

Deadline to register is March 7. The Medical Release form and the Publication Release/Statement of Authenticity must be uploaded to the Coach's dropbox no later than March 11. Both forms can be found on the WAFPS website under Events/State Bowl.

Warm Beach will be providing a sack lunch for each participant and/or coach/adult who has registered through the WAFPS website.

State Bowl Registration:

Student participant: \$112

Coach or adult: \$37

Important Dates

March 1: Scholarship deadline

March 7: State Bowl Registration Due

March 7: State Bowl T-shirt deadline at 7 p.m. Pacific time

March 11: Medical Release form and Publication Release/Statement of Authenticity uploaded to coach's dropbox deadline

March 24: State Bowl, Warm Beach, Topic: Mining

March 31: Last day to vote for the future topics!

June 8-12: 2022 International Conference, Topic **Antibiotic Resistance**



FINAL WORDS FROM THE AD'S DESK

Although mining has been around for thousands of years, the way that mining has evolved revolves around technology. Today's technological innovations will have significant impact on the way that mining is conducted in the future. This year's State Bowl topic will allow students to research the ways that the engineers of today are looking to improve how mining affects the environment as well as improving safety for the miners. Is it possible that mines of the future will not require any people actually to be in the mine? Will mining be conducted entirely by machines?

Please call/text (509) 386-6297 or email me (jbuissinkwafps@gmail.com) any time you have questions.

Next Up in April: **State Bowl winners and more...**

“Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek.” — Barack Obama